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Appl. No. : 09/714,477 Confirmation No. 9174
Applicant : Sun-Chueh Kao
Filed : November 16, 2000
Art Unit : 1713
Examiner : Harlan, Robert D.

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Customer No. : 25959

Date : August 13, 2004

**Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria VA 22313-1450**

AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of July 26, 2004, please consider the following remarks, and amend the above identified application as follows:

- **Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.
- **Remarks** begin on page 5 of this paper.